

CONFESSION OF POPE BENEDICT VERY ELEGANT; REVEALS FACTS OF HIS LIFE

Extreme Unction Was Administered to the Pontiff at 2 A. M.—Frequently the Holy Father Murmurs Incoherent Phrases—Three Physicians Are Constantly at the Bedside—All the Churches of Rome Were Crowded Yesterday With Persons Offering Up Prayers for the Recovery of the Pope.

Rome, Jan. 21 (2:40 a. m., by the A. P.).—The condition of Pope Benedict is slowly growing worse and now is extremely grave.

His mental faculties are showing signs of decline. Frequently the pontiff murmurs incoherent phrases.

After receiving communion the pope asked for extreme unction which was administered shortly after 2 o'clock this morning by Monsignor Zampini, assisted by Monsignor Tassinari. At the conclusion of the ceremony the pontiff called Monsignor Zampini to his bedside, thanked him and shook his hand.

As a result of the pope's intense appeals, Professor Battistini left the chamber at 2:40 o'clock for a short rest.

Fresh centers of pneumonia infection have developed in the lungs of the patient and the entire body is now suffering still further.

His temperature shortly after midnight was 101 degrees. Breathing was hard and difficult.

The pneumonia was localized during Friday as centered in the pontiff's right lung, but neither lung was functioning as the physicians desired, in consequence of an immense accumulation of mucus, which at times threatened suffocation. The pneumonia is described as being of the purulent, or pus type.

Through all his suffering the mind of the pontiff remains bright, and he is described as being exceedingly cheerful and unafraid of death. "If it pleases the Lord that I shall wage again for His Church, I am ready if He says it is enough, let Him be done," the pontiff said early Friday evening as the cardinal chamberlain having paid him a visit.

Throughout the early hours of the evening Benedict was reported to have been fairly comfortable, but as the midnight hour approached, his condition grew less. He found difficulty in breathing and oxygen again was administered. This seemed to relieve the patient somewhat.

During the day the holy father received extreme unction and the holy sacrament was administered. A large number of the cardinals and members of the diplomatic corps attached to the papal court, many of them with tears in their eyes, watched the solemn ceremony through the doorway leading from the sick chamber into the ante chamber.

Several times when cardinals entered the bedroom during the day and knelt before the hand of the pontiff as it lay on a cushion at the foot of the bed, his father spoke words of cheer to them.

The members of the sacred college fully realized the gravity of the situation, and the day and night were crowded with persons offering up prayer for the recovery of the holy father.

A MESSAGE OF SORROW
FROM K. OF C. TO VATICAN

New York, Jan. 20.—A message from the Knights of Columbus in the United States expressing sorrow at the news of Pope Benedict's grave illness, was sent to the Vatican today by James A. Flaherty, supreme knight. It gave assurance of the prayers of every member of the organization in the pope's behalf.

Requests also were made of the 2,400 councils of the Knights of Columbus for prayers for Pope Benedict.

UTTERANCES AND SCENES IN POPE'S BED CHAMBER

Rome, Jan. 20 (By the A. P.).—"If it pleases the Lord that I shall wage again for His Church, I am ready if He says it is enough, let Him be done," the pope said. These were the last words of Pope Benedict when the cardinals withdrew from his chamber this evening. The pontiff's condition was said to be very grave. The pope's condition was said to be very grave. The pope's condition was said to be very grave.

Prof. Etienne Marchisava, one of the physicians in attendance on the pope this evening said was somewhat hopeful as to the outcome. "There is a thread of life," he said. He added that the pontiff was resting his ailments with great fortitude. The patient obtained a little rest in the early evening hours, but he was better, nor yet any worse, said Dr. Marchisava.

All the cardinals of the Curia remained at the Vatican throughout the afternoon, and this evening a large number of them were present in the ante chamber to the sick room. As each cardinal passed along the adjoining room he was an extremely anxious look. Bishops and priests flocked about them asking for information as to the condition of the holy father.

All the cardinals concurred in the opinion that there was a ray of hope but that the condition of the patient was most desperate. Although his breathing continued difficult, the fact that he had been able to throw off some of the congestion in his lungs boded well for the progress of the pontiff during the evening.

There was an immense crowd of Vatican diplomats and missionaries, and a portion of the pontifical apartments on the far side from the pope's bed chamber was used to seat the patients' relatives. Throughout the afternoon large numbers of persons constantly visited the Vatican to sign the register, while strong remained in the ante chamber in the early evening hours, but he was better, nor yet any worse, said Dr. Marchisava.

The room where Benedict lies ill is simply furnished. There are a few paintings on the walls and the crucifix above the bed. It contains gold framed

Safety of Landlord New York Central Has Bandit-Proof Cars

Exposure Made at Investigation of the Lockwood Legislative Committee—How Rents Were Raised

New York, Jan. 20.—Ten landlords reported by a court clerk as responsible for three-fourths of the 6,000 evictions last year, had been built on. He testified that the investigation today by the Lockwood legislative committee.

One of them, Joseph Schenk, testified he had bought between 300 and 400 apartment houses in the last five years, but had never built one. He testified having instituted 2,000 rent cases, as the committee was told by the clerk of the seventh district court. He said the number was 250.

Mr. Schenk admitted that after leasing an apartment house under his own name, he would sublease it in order to avoid fulfilling an agreement to let the owner know how much rent certain tenants paid.

He said his Schenk Realty and Construction company sold sixty apartment houses for \$3,000,000 to another company, which he was heavily interested in and intended to make lower wages April and May.

Mr. Schenk admitted trying to raise a tenant's rent from \$25.50 to \$110 a month after buying a house, and wherein the previous owner only a short while before had obtained 25 per cent. increases on all apartments.

The average man does just as many queer things when he isn't in love as when he is, but they are less conspicuous.

Anthracite Miners Vote TO DEMAND WAGE INCREASE

A Dollar a Day Increase For All Day Men and 20 Per Cent. Increase For Contract Miners—The Convention is Considering the Suspension of Mining on April 1 in the Event That No Satisfactory Agreement Has Been Reached by That Date—Action Taken in Face of the Fact That the Operators Will Ask Miners to Accept a Reduction in Wages.

Shamokin, Pa., Jan. 20.—The 11th annual convention of the anthracite miners today adopted the recommendation of the scale committee to increase wages by a dollar a day for contract miners and a 20 per cent. increase for all day men.

The convention had before it tonight a recommendation providing for a suspension of mining on April 1 in the event that no satisfactory agreement had been reached by that date. Leaders said that there was every prospect of its adoption.

The delegates also adopted a demand that the operators accept a 20 per cent. increase in wages by March 31, shall not exceed a period of two years and prohibiting the making of any new contracts and contracts in the mining of coal.

The scale committee presented to the convention 19 proposed demands on the operators, and was considered and carried out by the scale committee.

The demands provide for a uniform wage scale so that various occupations of like character shall command the same wages, that the eight hour clause in the present agreement shall be applied to all persons working in and about the mines under the jurisdiction of the National Anthracite Association which time for all overtime work and double

Use the Medium That Brings the Results

What is accomplished by advertising is well illustrated by the year's business of the Salada Tea Company which shows a phenomenal increase for 1921 over 1920, and the credit that is due to advertising is not disregarded.

This is a company which has a policy persistently adhered to for over a quarter of a century by which it confines its advertising to newspapers. It doesn't take the position of not believing in other forms but the president of the company insists that he has exhausted this to no other medium. He says that he has determined this policy and when it is shown that while advertising there was an increase in sales of over two and a third million pounds of tea last year over the previous year there appears to be good ground for sticking to it.

The Salada Company has found newspaper advertising a good thing. That is why it is holding to it. Others can do the same thing if they make use of the newspapers in the same manner. In Norwich and vicinity the Salada Company uses The Bulletin. A word to the wise is sufficient.

In the past week the following news matter appeared in The Bulletin for twelve cents a week:

Bulletin	January 14	Telegraph	Local	General	Total
Saturday	85	134	335	554	
Sunday	80	84	269	433	
Tuesday	86	120	185	391	
Wednesday	94	99	312	505	
Thursday	78	102	247	427	
Friday	90	92	210	392	
Totals	513	631	1558	2702	

STILLMAN'S COUNSEL REPEAT CHARGES AGAINST WIFE

New York, Jan. 20.—James A. Stillman's fight to have little Guy Stillman adjudged illegitimate was intensified today in the appellate division of the supreme court.

The banker's counsel repeated charges that Mrs. Anne U. Stillman had miscondemned herself with Fred Beauvais, an Italian guide, who Mrs. Stillman contends is the father of Guy. The charges were introduced by the "Dearest Honey" and "Dear Dear" letters.

Counsel for Mr. Stillman declared his wife had never denied the charge that the child is illegitimate, and answered her on a mental condition. The court would be upheld in court by saying her defense had not shown reasonable probability of success.

The action today was on an appeal from an order which would have Mr. Stillman provide \$7,500 to meet the expenses of a hearing in the divorce suit at Montreal. The court reserved decision. At the hearing Mrs. Stillman planned to summon Canadians to testify that agents for her husband bribed and sought to bribe witnesses to testify that she violated her marriage vows.

Mr. Stillman's lawyer said the banker had paid Mrs. Stillman \$122,000 in the last nine months without a murmur, but it was not time to call a halt.

UNEXPECTED ACTION BY FAR EASTERN COMMITTEE

Washington, Jan. 20 (By the A. P.).—The American proposal to lay open before the world all the treaties and undertakings that relate to China met with an unexpected setback today when it came before the Far Eastern committee of the arms conference for formal adoption.

Although such a step had been agreed to yesterday, "in principle," the problem of defining the exact scope of the agreement precipitated a long debate and after the conference adjourned the subject was dropped.

The committee did adopt, however, a resolution expressing the hope that the powers that China speedily would reduce the large military forces now maintained within her borders. That action, the resolution charged, was in violation of the Chinese government's obligations.

For the first time in several weeks discussion of the Chinese situation was held during the day on the floor of the senate, where a resolution was presented by Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, asking information about the status of the Shantung controversy. Both Senators Lodge and Underwood, members of the American delegation, told their colleagues that the situation was not near a conclusion, and that they saw no hope of bringing the question before the conference proper.

In the naval side of the conference, the Japanese government's position was the subject of discussion. Japan still withholding assent to the article dealing with Pacific fortifications. It developed, however, that the hitch was not in the inclusion of the Japanese islands of the Shantung group under the fortification "status quo" and that a difference of view on the question had arisen between the Japanese delegates and their home government.

Discussion of the treaty publication resolution in the Far Eastern committee centered about the proposal to include in the publication of the commitments the various commercial agreements and private individuals abroad. Since the Japanese government is not themselves parties to these agreements, the Japanese suggested it would be difficult to make a complete compilation of them.

It was pointed out, however, that no open position to the Japanese government, and American spokesmen predicted tonight that it would be adopted.

In the view of the Chinese the committee to which foreign individuals and not foreign governments are parties include some of the most important of those now exercising an influence on China's development. Many of the railroad and loan agreements, they say, are of that character, making it requisite that the resolution be of the broadest possible scope if it is to accomplish the "showdown" sought by the American delegation.

DR. BUTLER AROUSES PUBLIC EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

New York, Jan. 20.—The Public Education Association issued a statement today denying the recent statement of Dr. William H. Butler, president of the Columbia University, that a federal department would tend to "bureaucratize" education.

The statement said that the federal department would not remove education from state control. A section of the bill was quoted providing that "all the educational facilities encouraged by the production of this act shall be administered by the states, supervised and administered exclusively by the legally constituted state and local educational authorities of the said state."

PLEA FOR COURT OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

New York, Jan. 20.—Urging that the supreme court of the United States had demonstrated to the world the possibility of avoiding international strife, a resolution was adopted by the International Association of Lawyers, which today began its annual convention here, also heard addresses by Dr. Rokuchiro Masumura of Tokyo, president of the International Association, William D. Guthrie, president of the American Association of American Lawyers, and Charles D. Newton, attorney general of New York.

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COULDS OF SMOKE FAILED TO HALT PRAYERS IN CHURCH

New York, Jan. 20.—Thick clouds of smoke from a fire which gutted a loft building at Sixth avenue and West 12th street tonight swirled through the Roman Catholic church of St. Francis, but failed to halt a service attended by several hundred men and women who had gathered to pray for the speedy recovery of the pope.

One of the lofts housed a celluloid button factory. A burning celluloid button factory. A burning celluloid button factory. A burning celluloid button factory.

EXCESSIVE INTEREST RATES ON FARM MORTGAGES

Washington, Jan. 20.—Farm financing came prominently to the front today with the announcement by Secretary Wallace that the National Agricultural Conference next week charges that certain companies taking money on farm mortgages were taking advantage of the present crisis to charge "extortionate" interest rates.

At the same time the agricultural department made public information it had received from the bank of the United States had outstanding approximately \$2,869,531,415 personal and collateral loans to farmers and \$1,447,482,928 in farm mortgage loans at the end of 1920.

Secretary Wallace also made public the names of twenty-six women who he announced would probably participate in the conference as delegates.

Among the names made public were Mrs. W. A. Mather, of Adams, N. Y., who operates several tenant farms and owns a home farm and Mrs. Nellie E. Ristman, of Aronogue, Conn., member of the home economics committee of the national grange.

DEATH OF SURGEON ON DEATH OF MRS. T. S. RYAN

Paris, Jan. 20 (By the A. P.).—The death of Mrs. Thomas Steward Ryan, known as Miss Audrey Creighton, yesterday in the American hospital at Neuilly was due to poisoning, according to the verdict of Police Surgeon Paul, who performed an autopsy on the body today.

Serious lesions were found in the stomach and kidneys and the surgeon removed the vital organs for chemical analysis.

Cried G. Loeb, attorney for Mr. Ryan, who was held by the police a few days ago after Mrs. Ryan had swallowed poison tablets, today filed a demand for his client's release on bail. The investigation was expected to reply to the demand tomorrow.

The demand recited the history of the case, pointing out that Mrs. Ryan had never stated that she had been terrorized into swallowing the poison, as some versions of the story have claimed, and that no cries of protest were heard. Her demand was shown by her attorney to write farewell letters to her husband.

Mr. Dearing was appointed assistant secretary of state by President Harding last March. He was born in Columbia, Miss., in 1879, was graduated from the University of Missouri and later took a post-graduate course in international law and diplomacy at Columbia university.

DETROIT AUTO SPEEDSTERS

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 20.—A group of business men were working in the kitchen and dining room and performing other menial tasks at the Detroit House of Correction today, following their sentence to the institution by Judge Charles J. Bartlett of records court after their conviction of speeding.

Each prisoner at the Detroit city prison must work eight hours a day under the supervision of the institution and men sent to jail for violating the traffic ordinances are not excepted. It was announced today by officials of the prison, however, that each speeder will serve in one of the prison shops, the traffic violators are being used in the kitchen.

FRANCE AND BRITAIN TO TAKE UP TREATY PACT

Paris, Jan. 20 (By the A. P.).—Negotiations through regular diplomatic channels between Paris and London regarding the proposed Anglo-French pact will be begun at once, inaugurating a reversion to the old school of diplomacy, it was announced today.

The next question to be taken up, it was stated, probably will be measures with reference to Germany.

There is some doubt in French official circles as to whether consideration of the reparations question will be resumed where it was left off at Cannes or whether the negotiations will be begun anew.